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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In the Office Action mailed April 21, 2003, the Examiner has stated that the present Application contains two distinct species of the claimed invention, a first embodiment represented by Figures 7-13, and a second embodiment represented by Figures 15-20. As such, the Examiner has required the Applicants to elect a single species of the invention for prosecution on the merits.

ELECTION WITHOUT TRAVERSE BETWEEN 1st AND 2nd SPECIES

Applicants elect without traverse the 1st species corresponding to claims 5-32 and Figures 7-13, drawn to a method of forming a semiconductor structure.

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The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

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